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In re the Application of:

Yasaku FUJII

Serial No. 09/665,159

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Examiner: Samir Anwar Ahmed

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MATCHING FINGERPRINT

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RETURN OF FORM PTO-1449

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Information Disclosure Statements were filed on February 14, 2006 and September 20, 2006. A copy of these Information Disclosure Statements are attached.

The Examiner stated in Office Action dated March 28, 2006 that the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 14, 2006 was not considered *"because the communication issued in the corresponding European Application No. 00308256.7 refers to the references cited as D1, D2 and D3"*, and that *"the references neither identified nor provided for the Examiner to determine their relevance to the instant application."*

The patentees are submitting herewith a copy of a Communication received in the corresponding European Application dated April 14, 2005, which lists the references referred to as D1, D2 and D3. It is requested that these be placed in the file of the subject patent.

It is also respectfully requested that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO-1449 which accompanies the Information Disclosure Statements noted herein, marked to indicate that the references listed therein have been considered by the Office.

Please note that the Issue Fee was paid in this application on November 2, 2006.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should he/she have any questions concerning this Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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